

The Daily Standard.

Saturday, September 7, 1872.

Victoria Water Supply.

Mr. Attorney General McClellan, in addressing the Fire Department on Thursday, let in a little daylight on the subject of the survey which has been going on for some months past with a view to supplying this city with a requisite quantity of pure and wholesome water. So long and so silently have the surveyors been prosecuting their labors that people began seriously to question their own minds whether there were not some insuperable barrier in the way, over which the surveyors could not pass, and that therefore they were unable to complete the task which the Government had devolved upon them. Fortunately, however, they had a fund of seven thousand dollars to draw upon, and as long as that held out hope lingered in the public breast that every difficulty would be overcome, and the survey would be completed, and the water supply would be secured. It was called together for the purpose of the survey, and the dispatch of the survey was not to be completed, a report being prepared, and the requisite data be placed in the hands of the Commissioner of Lands and Works to be laid before the Legislature, so that they might be in a position to legislate intelligently upon the subject. All doubt has now been dispelled, thanks to the Attorney General's revelation, and the citizens of Victoria are now in possession of the gratifying fact that from Elk Lake a supply of pure water sufficient for a city of four or five times the present population of Victoria can be drawn, at an expense not exceeding \$100,000. To be assured by such an authority as the Provincial Engineer that Victoria can be abundantly supplied with water, for any and all purposes, at a cost of \$100,000, will of course be very gratifying to our citizens generally, not because they had any doubts about the matter, but for the reason that it simply confirms what was before ascertained, and is corroborative of calculations and surveys made by other competent persons which the Government knew to be in existence, and which they might have possessed themselves of at an expense of probably no more than what the least survey would cost the country. Now that the feasibility of the project is established beyond all reasonable doubt, the next question to be decided is, what is the best method of accomplishing the object so urgently desired? There are two ways by which it can be done. First, by the Municipal Council, under a By-Law authorizing that body to borrow money for the purpose on the credit of the city, and to make provision for the redemption of its bonds within a stipulated period of time, say twenty-five years, the money for that purpose to be raised by the sale of water, together with a rate upon city property sufficient to make good any deficiency that may accrue on water account. Secondly, by a private company, to whom shall be granted the exclusive right to supply the city with water for a stipulated number of years, and upon such conditions as to rates as may be mutually agreed upon between the parties to the contract. To our mind the latter would be the better method of procedure. It is a well ascertained fact that all such works are more efficiently and economically conducted by private companies than by municipal bodies, and for very obvious reasons. Gentlemen who have their own means invested in undertakings of that character, and who desire to realize a profit from the investment, take good care that none but competent persons shall have the management of their affairs and that their business shall be conducted with a due regard to economy. They have no axes to grind for other people, nor places to provide for needy and importunate constituents. It is not so, however, with Municipal Corporations. There are always a number of hangers on about the Municipal Chambers who have a claim upon members of the Council for services rendered; and that they are sometimes unnecessarily provided for, they were useless to deny. And all this goes to diminish the profits on any investment that may be made of Municipal funds. Besides, Municipal bodies are constantly undergoing change in the personnel of their composition, and there is no guarantee that a Municipal Council this year composed of honest, intelligent, and capable men, may not be supplanted next year by men possessing neither character, integrity, nor business capacity. Municipal ratepayers do not always study their own interests in the choice they make of persons to represent them at the Council Board, and for that reason among others that might be mentioned, it is deemed best, particularly in small communities, in undertakings involving a large expenditure of money, such as supplying them with gas and water, to confide them to private companies, to whom such concessions are made as will ensure them a reasonable profit on the amount of capital invested. We have no doubt that should the Government pass a Bill at the next session of the Legislature containing such provisions as will make it an object for capitalists to invest their money in Victoria water stock, the money necessary to supply this city with all the water required will be forthcoming, and before the expiration of another year the citizens be in possession of that which they have so long been in need—a copious supply of good and wholesome water.

SOLUBLE VEGETABLE made in one minute without boiling. The above articles are prepared exclusively by Taylor Brothers, the largest manufacturers in Europe, and sold in tin-lined packets only by Storekeepers and others all over the world. Steam Mills, Brick Lane, London. Export Chicory Mills, Bruges Belgium.

Memory preserves over the past. Fall's Coffee over the present. The first line is a rich temple with glorious trophies, and lined with velvet, but Fall's Coffee has but one shrine and that is every breakfast table. Its aroma fills the earth like a spirit and can be found for sale at every respectable dealer in British Columbia. Beware of spurious imitations.

New Advertisements.

INFORMATION WANTED.

OF JOHN CLEMENTS, who left the service of the British Columbia, in May, 1866, for British Columbia, his last letter to his family being dated, Vancouver, B.C., 1866. Any information regarding him communicated to the Editor, will be thankfully received and forwarded to his family, who are mourning over the grave of their friend, and cry for the return of the lost and the return of the lost.



MAIL CONTRACTS.

TENDERS ADDRESSED TO THE Postmaster General, Victoria, and marked "Tender for Mail Service," will be received at the Post Office, on Friday the 14th September, for the conveyance of the mails in British Columbia, between the following places for the term of four years from the 1st April next:

Barkerville and Harvey Creek, Barkerville and Yale, Burrard Inlet and N. Westminster, Cache Creek and Okanagan and Okanagan and Okanagan Mission, Clinton and Lillooet, Esquimalt and Victoria, Hope and Kootenay, Lytton and Nicola Lake, Metchohen and Victoria, Omineca and Guesnel, Sanich and Victoria, Sooke and Victoria.

Each Tender must be accompanied by a guarantee signed by two responsible parties undertaking that in the event of the Tender being accepted the service shall be performed by the party tendering for the price demanded. Particulars in regard to the service and amount of security required, together with printed forms of Tenders and extracts may be obtained at the Post Office at Victoria and at the Post Office at each of the above places.

Chief F. O. Inspector, Victoria, B. C., 1st Sept., 1872.

BUNSTER'S MILL.

MR. JAMES BUNSTER will start the flour mill on the 1st October. Farmers wishing to have their wheat ground should send in immediately.

The highest cash price paid for good wheat and barley. See in adw.

FOR PUGET SOUND.

Change of Sailing Hours.

THE STEAMER

NORTH PACIFIC

CAPTAIN E. A. STARR, Will sail from Victoria for Olympia and way ports twice a week, viz:

TUESDAYS, at 10 o'clock A. M. FRIDAYS, at 4 o'clock A. M.

For Freight or Passage Apply on Board.

J. C. TRACY.

AUCTIONEER & COMMISSION MERCHANT

CONSIGNMENTS of Fruit, Flour, Butter, received by every steamer.

Salesroom St. Nicholas Building, Government Street.

Regular Sales every Wednesday at 11 o'clock. Consignments solicited. Prompt Returns and moderate charges guaranteed.

Will Sell at Salesroom, Wednesday, September 11, at 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.

A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, BOOTS AND SHOES, GROCERIES AND FURNITURE.

For Sale, SOME CHEAP HORSES.

W. BAKER, Proprietor's Farm.

Qualification and Registration of Voters Act, 1871.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ad-journed Court for the Division of the Voters for Victoria District will be held at Taylor's Hotel, 1200 Broadway, on Saturday the 14th inst., at 11 o'clock.

A. C. BAKER, Registrar.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE PIONIC

Saturday, 14th September, 1872, AT THE CALEDONIA GROUNDS.

TOMBOLA.

Dancing, Amusements, Fire Works.

A SPECTACULAR FIRE WILL BE EXHIBITED.

Entrance 50 cts, Children 25 cts.

Refreshments of all kinds on the grounds.

Tenders for the lot are requested, addressed to the Secretary on or before the 14th inst.

Haynes' Quadrille Band has been engaged.

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Auction Sale.

PEREMPTORY AND SERVED

Auction Sale

OF VALUABLE CITY, SUBURBAN AND FARMING PROPERTY

DESIRABLE CORNER LOTS

Situate on Fort Yates, North Park, Blanchard & Kane Streets, James Bay, Pandora Avenue.

Stores, Hotel & Residences

Two and Half and Five Acre SUBURBAN LOTS.

FARMING LANDS

At Cadboro Bay and Cowichan.

Stock and Furniture.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.

Have been instructed to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

At Salesroom, Wharf Street.

Tuesday 24th Sept., 1872

AT 12 O'CLOCK NOON,

To Close Co-partnership Account without Disturbance to the Reserve.

PORT STREET PROPERTY.

FIRST—An old Town Site situate on Port Street, opposite the Cattle Sale Yard, and known on the Official Map as Lot 71 in Block 23, having a frontage of 66 feet by a depth of 120 feet, together with the improvements thereon, consisting of the two well built STORES, one is rented to Mr. J. Vaughan, for a Butcher Shop, the other is unoccupied, together with the Buildings in the rear, and the vacant space adjoining large enough to build one more store.

SECOND—The Freehold Property situate on the Sunny Side of Port Street, and known on the Official Map as Lot No. 766, in Block 16, immediately adjoining the Corner, having a frontage of 40 feet, running back 120 feet.

THIRD—That valuable property on the CORNER of YATES STREET and BLANCHARD STREET, 120 feet, and known on the Official Map as Lot No. 105 in Block 12, together with the 2 Cottages thereon, now rented for the sum of twenty dollars per month. There is room for 3 large dwellings on the vacant space which is under a first class picket fence.

FOURTH—The desirable property, on Yates street adjoining the Corner and known as Town Lot 106 in Block 12, fronting 60 feet by a depth of 120 feet, together with the improvements thereon, viz: the THREE STORY HOTEL known as the What Cheer, having brick Basement, large Dining Hall, Pantry, Kitchen, Storehouse, Washhouse, with Butlers, Double Parlors, with folding doors, sitting, Bed and Bath rooms fitted with Zinc Bath, Billiard, Coach House, Hay Loft, Sea Water of water and Pump.

FIFTH—That superior CORNER property on Yates street, having a frontage of 60 feet, and fronting 120 feet on Blanchard street, and known on the Official Map as Town Lot No. 224, in Block 12, having a frontage of 60 feet by 120.

PANDORA AVENUE 21 ACRES

SEVENTH—The westerly half of the Corner of Pandora Avenue and Cook street. This is a splendid site for residence and well worthy the attention of intending buyers. A good side walk is laid, the whole fronting on Pandora street.

KANE STREET PROPERTY.

EIGHTH—Those two desirable lots having a frontage on Kane Street of 120 feet, and fronting on Quads street 120 feet, making a square, and known on the Official Map as Town Lots Nos. 261 and 262, in Block 27, together with the improvements thereon, comprising the well built story and half detached Cottage, in first class order, having 4 Bedrooms, Double Parlor, Kitchen, Sheds, tables, Wash and Smoke House, Hall and two rooms in half story, and one of the best Orchards in the city, covered with choice Apples, Pear, Cherry and Plum Trees, Raspberry, black white, red Currants, and Gooseberry Bushes, about 200 in all, Garden and Chicken Yard. The property immediately adjoining was sold about ten months back for \$5,500 at Private Sale.

FIVE ACRE SUBURBAN LOTS.

NINTH—Subdivision XXVI containing five statute acres of GARDEN LAND situate in Victoria District, the desirable property immediately adjoining Mr. Lee's Hop Garden, about one mile from town.

FARM AT CADBORO BAY.

TENTH—217 Acres—Particulars with map in a few days.

COWICHAN FARM.

ELEVENTH—150 Acres, at Cowichan, with Stock, Farming Implements, Residence—Particulars in a few days.

Auction Sales Continued.

JAMES BAY PROPERTY.

TWELFTH—All that freehold property situate at James Bay, on Superior Street, and known on the Official Map as Town Lot 1914.

FIGUARD STREET.

THIRTEENTH—Subdivision 32 of Suburban 5 acre Lot with small house and good fence.

COOK STREET.

FOURTEENTH—Subdivision 22 of Suburban 5 acre Lot XXIII.

PORT STREET PROPERTY.

FIFTEENTH—The desirable Freehold Property, situate on Port Street, and known on the Official Map as Town Lot 291, having a frontage of 60 feet by a depth of 120, together with the well built double cottage, having 7 rooms and kitchen, large hall, verandah, and recreation chamber, painted and trimmed, and also the two story 7 roomed hard finished house adjoining, having large verandah, grates and chimneys, also garden and Sea wall of water.

VIEW STREET PROPERTY.

SIXTEENTH—The easterly half of Town Lot situate on View Street and known on the Official Map as No. 296, together with the improvements thereon, namely: the two story 7 roomed detached and plastered residence, with parlors, bed and dining rooms, kitchen, closets, pantry, washhouse, chicken house, hall and verandah, and garden.

James Bay Property.

SEVENTEENTH—All those two full size Town Lots situate in Block 16, on the corner of Superior Street, fronting 120 feet, and known on the Official Map as Town Lot 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

Superior Street.

EIGHTEENTH—Town Lot situate on Superior street, near Oswego, and known on the Official Map as lot 1905.

TERMS EASY, made known at time of Sale.

Deeds at Buyer's Expense.

For further particulars apply to Messrs. DRAKE & JACKSON, at J. P. DAVIES & CO., Wharf Street.

NEW GOODS

JAMES GROSSEN

YATES STREET.

HAS RECEIVED A LARGE STOCK of New Goods from the Auction stores of Newhall & Co., and Greenbaum & Co., San Francisco, and J. P. Drake & Co., Victoria, consisting of

Gent's & Youth's Clothing, Ladies' Linens, and Children's Hats

of the Latest San Francisco Styles, and a large variety of other goods, all of which he will sell at a low price, and he will sell cheaper than they can be bought in any other store in the city.

MATB from 25 cts. and upwards.

